IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. - 2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) ~~The invention of claim 1~~ <u>A method for distributing content in a packet-switched network comprising the steps of:</u>

    <u>receiving from a client a request for content identified by a resource identifier;</u>

    <u>querying a mapping service using the resource identifier of the content;</u>

    <u>receiving a list of servers in the network that store the content identified by the resource identifier; and</u>

    <u>redirecting the client to one of the servers using a second resource identifier,</u> wherein the client is redirected using a helper file.

4. - 7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) ~~The invention of claim 5~~ <u>A method for distributing content in a packet-switched network comprising the steps of:</u>

    <u>storing in a database a list of servers in the network that store content identified by a resource identifier;</u>

    <u>updating the database as content stored on the server change;</u>

    <u>responding to queries requesting content identified by a resource identifier with the list of servers that store content, wherein the list of servers can be used to redirect clients to one of the servers; and</u>

    wherein the database is distributed among servers in the network.

9. (Currently amended) The invention of claim 8 wherein updates to the database are not ~~broadcast~~ <u>broadcasted</u> to the servers and wherein queries are ~~broadcast~~ <u>broadcasted</u> to the servers.